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Facing Our 70th Year



Looking forward

Moorhead State Teachers College approaches its seventieth anniversary with great expectations. The next five years will probably be the most significant ever in the growth of this, western Minnesota's greatest public institution.

The major changes which we fully expect both in physical equipment and number of faculty are changes that must come if we are to keep up with the ever-growing demands of youth for higher education.

Some things will not change, however. The tradition of a strong faculty and a friendly spirit on the campus has been true ever since the College began on what was then the outskirts of a little prairie town:

*Where flows the river through prairies to the frozen North,
Builted our fathers a school to stand through years to be.*

Thousands of graduates have gone from her portals to fill positions of leadership and usefulness throughout the nation exactly as the words of our Ima Mater state.

It would require many volumes of a publication the size of this paper to list them and tell of their success. They — the long procession of faculty and students who have been here — are what we celebrate when we sing "Hail, hail to our College!"

Looking backward

by Delayne Riedberger

This year, MSTC celebrates its seventieth anniversary — seventy years of growth and progress through education.

Seventy years ago, in 1887, Moorhead State Teachers College was opened as a school to train teachers. The college was then called a Normal School and during the first few years sub-collegiate courses were offered. Most students were not graduates of high school.

When the doors of Old Main were first opened in the autumn of 1888, 29 students and 4 faculty members entered. A Moorhead pioneer, Solomon G. Comstock, is known as the "Father of the College," for he was responsible for the location of the normal school in Moorhead. Other towns, such as Detroit Lakes and Crookston, were being considered as the site of the fourth normal school when Mr. Comstock outmaneuvered them and contributed six acres of land for the campus. Thus Moorhead Normal School began.

The first president of the college was Dr. Livingston Lord, who took it upon himself to conduct the daily chapels. The school grew rapidly and by 1896 there were 329 students enrolled. In 1893, Wheeler Hall was erected and named after the first preceptress of the college, Frances G. Wheeler (Lutz).

Until 1917 the daily schedule included rising at 6:45 to attend chapel, daily calisthenics, and classes from eight to six. Dormitory doors were locked at 3 p.m. on Sunday afternoons so that the students would write home. Total darkness was demanded in the dormitory every evening by

10:15 p.m.

In 1899, Dr. Frank A. Weld was inaugurated as president. In 1915 Weld Hall was erected, named for the second president. In this same year, Caswell A. Ballard was added to the science faculty. One of the most devoted teachers, as well as the most popular, the present mens' dormitory is named for Mr. Ballard.

During these beginning years, progress was great. Additions were made to Old Main to provide more room. In 1908 a Model School for student teaching was completed and the second dormitory for women, Comstock Hall, was erected in 1911.

During the first few years of the century, the Normal Red Letter, a news magazine, was begun. A chapel choir and orchestra were well established before World War I. During the war years, students knitted for the soldiers while in classes and on Sundays.

In 1919 Dr. Oliver M. Dickerson became president. It was during his administration, in 1921, that the name was changed by an act of legislature, from Normal School to State Teachers College.

Dr. R. B. MacLean became president of MSTC in 1923. In 1928 the teachers colleges in Minnesota were authorized to train teachers for kindergarten through the senior high school. The program of the college has been enriched year by year, until at the present date, a student can receive an all-around education at MSTC.

A catastrophe occurred on the night of February 9, 1930, when Old Main was destroyed by fire. Burned along with Old Main were the old

Model School and the library. Only Weld Hall and the dormitories remained — and still remain.

With the enthusiastic support of alumni, students, and faculty and the resourceful leadership of President MacLean, temporary classrooms were found and under difficult conditions the student and faculty carried on for two years until in May, 1932, the rebuilding program was completed.

Dr. Otto W. Snarr was next in line for president, succeeding Dr. MacLean in 1942. Dr. Snarr's genuine interest in the students and his deep concern for a good general education for all, are factors which many students now at the college still remember.

In 1943, the campus was changed suddenly when the 346th Army Air Force college training detachment took over most of the campus. After the war, things returned to normal and the college program began to grow and expand. In 1951, Sebastian Kola-Bankole from Nigeria had the honor of being the first foreign student to enroll at the college. Since that time, others have followed in his footsteps.

Ballard Hall, the men's dormitory, was erected in 1949. With the retirement of President Snarr in 1955, Dr. A. L. Knoblauch became the college's sixth president.

Being built at MSTC now is an addition to Weld Hall. The next year is to see the erection of the desperately-needed women's dormitory, and plans are in the making for a field-house, library, and science building.

Celebrating its seventieth anniversary, Moorhead State Teachers College is still young in age.

College campus school provides realistic teaching experience

The professional division of MSTC transforms the college from just a liberal arts college to a teachers college.

The division is under the direction of Dr. Glaydon D. Robbins, also director of the laboratory school.



DR. GLAYDON D. ROBBINS, head of the professional divisions of the college and of the laboratory school.

MS grads can choose from 7000 positions

With more than 7000 teaching posts offered to them, Moorhead State Teachers College 1957 graduates — who will number about 150 — may find it hard to decide where they want to go to teach.

Ray R. Sorensen, director of placement at the college, predicts that most of them will teach somewhere in Minnesota.

"We could place all our graduates in industry if they did not want to teach," he said. "Industry needs men like engineers, but they tell us that they also want people who can meet the public, people with a good general education." Those trained for teaching usually fit these requirements.

MSTC graduates are loyal to their chosen profession, however. More than 90 percent become teachers because of the satisfaction and security they find in teaching.

Those 7000 job offers represent not only every state in the U. S. with the exception of some southeastern states, but many come from foreign countries.

Opportunities await graduates in Venezuela, Guatemala, Nicaragua, and other South American countries, as well as in Africa, the Middle East, and U. S. territories.

In the past few years, for the first time, the placement office has been receiving requests from eastern cities for teachers. "This is an indication of the decreasing supply of teachers everywhere," remarked Sorensen.

The MSTC placement office has just completed a tabulation of the earnings of last year's graduates in Minnesota schools.

Men graduates earn from \$3,300 to \$5,040. Their average salary is \$3,832. Women graduates have the same minimum salary, and their top salary reaches \$3,800. Their average is

Assisting Dr. Robbins as instructors in professional education are Dr. Werner E. Brand, principal of the campus high school; Dr. Alice Corneliussen, campus elementary school principal; Dr. Frances Dillon, educational growth and development instructor; Dr. Allen G. Erickson, instructor of courses in high school literature and speech methods.

Miss Grace Gregerson, educational psychology and educational measurements and evaluation instructor; Dr. Jane Johnston, who teaches science in the college high school; Mr. Ray R. Sorensen, problems in organization and administration; and Miss Marie Sorkness, arithmetic in the elementary school instructor.

The courses in the professional division fall into four areas.

The first of these is the program on human growth and development. These courses deal with the understanding of children as they grow and develop, mentally, physically, and emotionally.

The second area is orientation to teaching. Responsibilities of the teacher to school, community, and profession are studied here.

Materials, methods, and approaches in teaching and learning constitutes

the third area, where effective teaching methods are learned.

The fourth area is "professional laboratory experience," which includes student teaching and experiences with children on a wide basis.

MSTC's twelve-year elementary and high school provides an excellent place for prospective teachers to work with students. Each bachelor of science graduate spends one quarter in his senior year student teaching.

The MSTC laboratory school is unique in that it is the only full elementary and high school on a college campus in the state of Minnesota.

Seven instructors cover broad area in social studies and related fields

by Marilyn Dahlen

Perhaps the expansion in the division of social studies over the years has been due largely to the varied abilities and backgrounds of the instructors who comprise this segment of upper divisions education. Seven college instructors, five of whom have the doctor of philosophy degree, staff the division at present.

Dr. Joseph A. Kise, the senior male member of the faculty, is chairman of the division. He came to the college in 1923 when Samuel G. Bridges and he taught all social studies courses. He holds a doctorate from Harvard and instructs political science courses, methods courses, and Minnesota history. In addition to civic participation, Dr. Kise is the author of the book, *Minnesota Government*, and various booklets.



STUDENT TEACHER JOHN AANDEN assists some of his students in an industrial arts class at the campus laboratory school, MSTC High.

Library has books, records, reference material, magazines

by Kathryn Fankhanel

Do you like to relax in soft, over stuffed chairs while you read? Do you find that music helps your powers of concentration?

If so, you'll discover that the MSTC library is especially suited to your needs. Comfortable leather chairs are scattered in quiet corners of this library to contribute to the student's ease and comfort. The library also has three turntables to the student's ease and comfort. The library also has three turntables for student use and a wide collection of records ranging from Sauter-Finegan to Mozart.

On the more serious and educational side, the MSTC library has a collection of over 4000 books — all chosen with the needs of the students and faculty in mind. On close examination you'll find that it contains especially good education and liberal arts sections. In fact, students from other colleges in the community often draw on the library's resources in these areas.

The MSTC library also has one room devoted to reference books. Here you will find all kinds of materials: encyclopedias, yearbooks, atlases, dictionaries, biographical indices, and other special reference books; bound magazines and magazine indices, and source books on science, literature, and history.

In another room you will find current issues of the magazines to which the library subscribes and the film, filmstrip, and record collections. Besides the records mentioned before, the library has collections of plays, poetry and short stories.

The fiction books are housed in the reading room along with the text books and children's books. Here you also find the current newspapers, including many papers from the students' home towns.

KMSC, campus radio station, broadcasts six days each week

by Elmer Reseland

MSTC's campus radio station KM SC is just about to celebrate its first anniversary. KMSC has grown from a minor organization on the campus in 1955 to one of the leading organizations this year. KMSC takes part in almost every college activity and has a staff of forty students.

To work on the radio station a student must pass a broadcast test given by the station. If he passes this test he is assigned a program on the station. Last fall fifteen freshman were placed on the station.

Manager of the radio station is Bob Knutson of Thief River Falls. Elmer Reseland of Fertile is assistant manager, and Art Boss of Perham is program director.

KMSC is on the air six days a week and broadcasts from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. on week nights and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturdays. On Sundays KM SC is on the air from 1 p.m. to 1 a.m.

KMSC has three departments. First, of course, is the broadcasting division, which features music programs and DJ shows. The second division is the news division, which takes care of the local and national news, as well as sports news and on the spot news.

The third department is the office staff, which handles the publicity for the station and does clerical work.

KMSC's main studio is located in Ballard Hall and a new studio is promised for the station shortly. KMSC will probably have its new quarters in the new girl's dorm or else be expanded in Ballard Hall.

Division offerings include social studies courses besides economics, history, political science and sociology. Extension courses are accessible for residents in the college service area.

The social studies curriculum provides courses intended to inform and influence students toward alert and responsible citizenship as well as preparing teachers in the field.

Chronological staff additions were Dr. Paul Heaton who came to MSTC in 1943 and Dr. John M. Jenkins in 1945. Dr. Heaton, who holds a doctorate from the University of Chicago, teaches all sociology courses besides heading the department of business education. He is a member of both the

council of upper divisions and the council of professional education.

Active in civic affairs, Dr. Jenkins is known not only as counselor of men and director of student affairs, but also as a member of the Moorhead city council. He holds a doctorate from the University of North Dakota and his teaching specialty is American government.

The only woman on the staff is Dorothy Johnson who is on sabbatical leave to complete work for her doctors degree at Western Reserve University. She came to the college in 1946 after serving as a civilian historian with the Air Force in World War II.

Neil B. Thompson is chairman of freshmen social studies in general education and represents the division as instructor in humanities. He came to MSTC in 1952 and has completed course requirements for a doctors degree at the University of Minnesota.

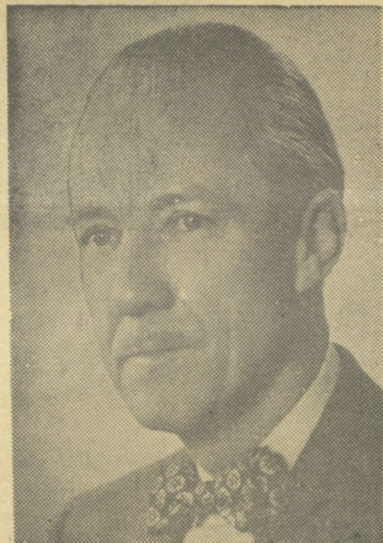
Teaching history courses is Dr. Amos D. Maxwell who came to the college in 1953 with a doctorate from Syracuse University. He is secretary to the council of lower divisions and is the author of the book, *Sequoia Constitutional Convention*, published by the Meador Press, Boston.

The most recent member to join the staff, Dr. Edwin C. Blackburn, teaches both American and European history. Dr. Blackburn comes to the college with a doctorate from the University of Michigan awarded last year.

Although he serves in the special services department, Harold B. Addicott instructs all geography courses which are closely aligned with the course work of social studies majors. He is chairman of conservation education and organized extensive field trips which may be taken for credit. Last year two bus loads toured the northeastern United States.

Members of the division are active in the Minnesota council for social studies, with Dr. Kise and Ruth Hanson, fifth grade supervisor, serving on the board of directors.

In addition to the instructors in the college classrooms, there are two supervisors in the campus school. Teaching the social studies-English "core" curriculum in grades 7 and 8 is Lyl Solem while Robert MacLeod supervises student teaching in high school social studies.



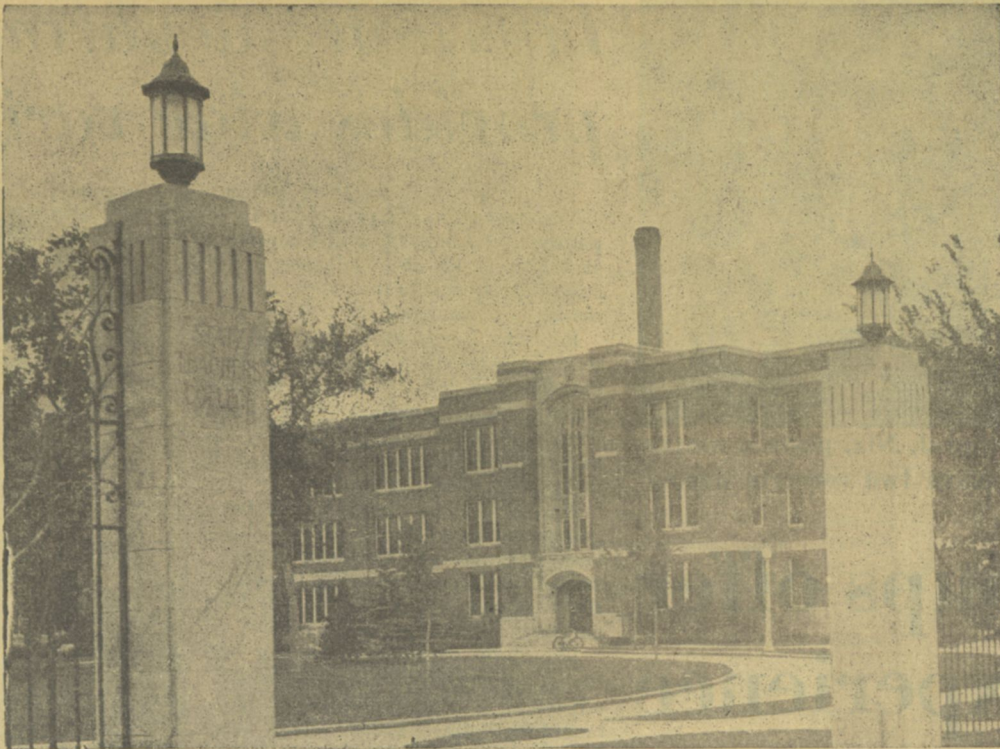
DR. JOSEPH KISE, chairman of the social studies division.



MSTC LABORATORY SCHOOL is a complete elementary and high school where prospective teachers receive training in student teaching. A supervisor staff is in charge of classes at MSTC High.



MANNING THE CONTROLS ON A NIGHT BROADCAST at radio station KMSC are Robert Knutson, Art Boss (standing), and Shelley Gordon.

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MACLEAN HALL, main campus building, seen through the gates of MSTC. MacLean houses all administrative offices, library, and classrooms. An adjoining physical education building contains gymnasiums, physical education facilities, a health office, and swimming pool.

Future building plans include dorm, field house, science hall

An intensive building program is underway for the near future at Moorhead State Teachers College. To augment the present facilities, these new buildings will appear within the next two or three years.

First in new construction plans is the new dormitory for women, which will be begun this spring. Bids have been let for the construction, and actual building should begin soon.

The completed building will consist of three storeys, and will contain a center section and two wings. All the lines are to be straight and streamlined, and the whole building will be simple and functional.

It is estimated that the new dormitory will be ready for occupancy by September, 1957.

A five and one half million dollar fund request has been recommended to the Minnesota Legislature by the Interim Building Commission, which investigated needs on the five state teachers college campuses.

Proposed for 1957 at MSTC are a \$1,785,000 science and industrial arts building, a field house, auditorium, and physical education building estimated at \$1,462,000, and a heating plant, which will cost \$550,000.

Construction of a new library will be requested from the 1959 legislature. Other requests, including an appropriation for the remodeling of Weld Hall, will be made for 1961.

Already under construction is an addition to Weld Hall, which will connect that building and the campus

laboratory school. The new two-storey addition will include a high school gymnasium and physical education facilities, and classrooms for the college music and industrial arts departments.

Sets background for professional careers

by Helen McGuigan

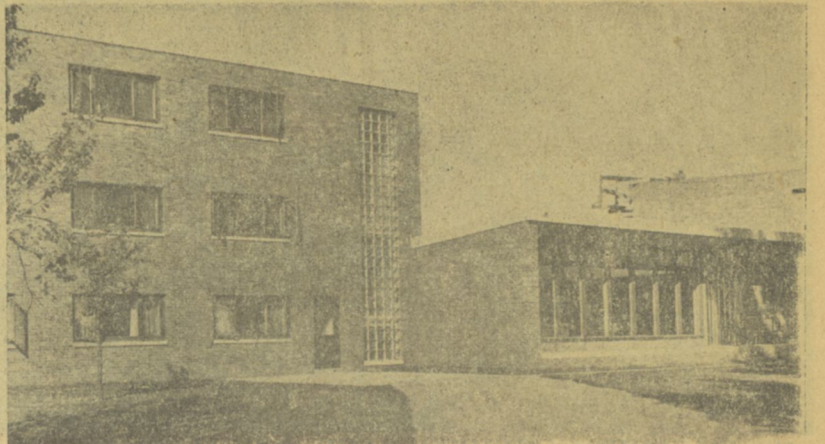
The first two years toward a career in almost any profession can be taken at MSTC. Although MS is fundamentally a teacher college, more stress is being placed on the pre-professional curricula, and this program is constantly being broadened.

The advantages of such a course at a smaller college such as this one include smaller classes, more personal attention and less expense. A student will find also that MSTC has a staff of excellent instructors with a high percentage of doctor's degrees, and that credits from here will be accepted by leading universities.

Some students have taken two, three, and sometimes four years at MSTC before going to a professional school at a university and are now successful doctors, lawyers, dentists, nurses, engineers, journalists, morticians, medical technicians, foresters, department of agriculture specialists, businessmen, meteorologists, FBI agents, and foreign service career men.

Students at MSTC can also take work toward other non-teaching careers such as business administration, public administration, psychology, commercial or industrial art and printing, secretarial science, library science, dramatic arts, and music.

All pre-professional students are assigned to a special adviser who has a doctor's degree in the general area of his proposed career. This adviser will assist him to take those courses



BALLARD HALL, MEN'S DORMITORY on the MSTC campus, houses male students during the school year. Built in 1949, Ballard is a modern, two-wing dormitory with all conveniences.

Ballard Hall typifies college dormitory life

by David Pansch

For nine months out of the year, approximately 177 male students attending MSTC make themselves at home in the modern, two-wing dormitory called Ballard Hall. Ballard is a reddish brown, three story brick structure, which was completed in 1949.

The rooms they call home are furnished with beds, chairs, desks, closets, lamps, draperies, and book shelves. Each student in the single rooms, and the two in double rooms, do their own caring and cleaning for these rooms.

On each of the six corridors is a huge bathroom, a small utility room, and a small living room for lounging. Tables, chairs, and sofas are furnished

for the comfort of the students, and to provide recreation such as that all-important game of cards or reading the evening paper.

In the basement of Ballard are found other conveniences. There is a laundry room where students may save money by washing, drying, and ironing their own clothes. There is a recreation room which provides an opportunity to entertain friends, have organized meetings, sponsor all-college parties, or just have a friendly game of ping-pong, practice piano, or listen to records.

On the main floor a spacious lounge with piano, radio-phonograph, and television set is always busy. Centrally located, this brightly decorated lounge is furnished with modern, restful furniture.

Each of the floors has a student counselor who sees to the needs of the men of his floor. These counselors, along with the dormitory director, Mr. Larry MacLeod, and two elected representatives from each floor constitute the Ballard Hall Council, governing body of the dormitory.

The Council also plans events for the students' enjoyment, such as an annual pajama party, an all-expense paid ski party at some nearby ski lodge. Funds for these parties come from the profit on pop, candy, and cigarette machines, and money from the coin boxes in the laundry room.

With these conveniences and recreational facilities, the men of Ballard Hall make life in the dorm both serious and enjoyable. No one ever knows what will happen next.

Dormitory life is a major character-developing aspect of college life. Ballard Hall gives MSTC students an opportunity to compare opinions and learn to become a part of the college community.



WELD HALL, home of the science and industrial arts departments, and Weld auditorium, where convocations, plays, and other programs are held.

Business department combines education with actual practice

by Beverly Mann

Four instructors in the department of business at MSTC are Dr. Paul Heaton, Mrs. Evelyn Larson, Mr. Ralph Lee, and Mr. James Spear.

The major in business administration was devised with the aid of businessmen. The preference in business was stated for graduates who have a broad background in formal education, and who have learned the art of decision-making. The highly specialized graduate cannot adapt to different situations as readily as the one who has a broad background.

The case-study approach to business administration courses is used at MSTC. The student is placed in actual positions of problem solving. He studies actual business problems on the spot, and with the help of executives he learns why a certain method was

used to solve the problems. This method is used in the fields of Marketing, Industrial Management, and Money and Banking.

A work experience program is available to students who desire to gain experience with pay under supervised conditions of employment in any field of business.

The four-year program in business education for prospective high-school teachers is increasingly popular because of the demand for business teachers. This course emphasizes typewriting, shorthand, accounting, business English, office practice and machines, business law, and economics.

The Associate in Arts Degree is conferred upon those who complete the two-year program in secretarial science.

Nigerian, Hawaiian students cross ocean to Moorhead TC

by Avonell Schmidt

It's almost like a storybook tale—only it's true! Frances Kimura and her friend had been close to one another for many years. Like all good friends, they thought it would be fun to go to college together in the United States. After writing letters to many colleges and universities, they chose Moorhead State Teachers College. Frances is from Hanapepe, Kauai, Hawaii. She is working toward a four-year degree in elementary education. The situation was somewhat different

for Joseph Whitmarsh of Kailua, Kona, Hawaii, and Tatsumi (Tats) Tanaka of Honolulu, Kona, Hawaii. Joe was the one who first decided to attend MSTC. Tats had originally planned to attend school in Missouri until he talked to Joe who suggested he come to MS. After speaking to the counselor of his high school and to Kenneth Sugiyama's parents he decided to come to MS. Joe and Tats are majoring in physical education.

Kenneth Sugiyama led the way when he arrived March 16, 1955, from Honolulu, Kona, Hawaii. Kenny is working toward a four-year degree in elementary education.

Thelma Yamasaki, from Kailua Kuna, Hawaii, arrived at MS this fall. Thelma says that she isn't sure what she is majoring in, but it will either be science or physical education.

From 38 Picca Street, Lagos, Nigeria, to 11th street and 7th avenue, Moorhead, Minnesota, came Rufus O. Bankole, a young Nigerian student, seeking a college education. Arriving at MSTC during Christmas vacation of 1956, Rufus enrolled for winter quarter as a pre-engineering student.

Rufus had been trying to enter the United States since 1953 and has only recently been able to complete the necessary arrangements.



FIVE DRAGONS FROM HAWAII add spice to MSTC. Fran Kimura and Jean Okumoto break into a Hula routine as Tats Tanaka, Kenneth Sugiyama, and Joe Whitmarsh look on.



MSTC'S SEVENTY MEMBER BAND, under the direction of Arthur J. Nix, plays a winter concert of works ranging from classical to modern. The band plays two concerts during the school year.

Band, choir, music groups offer chance for training, experience

by Robert Andstrom

MSTC teaches music for its cultural values and the opportunity it affords for personal achievement, in addition to training for teaching music. The major or minor in music receives a thorough background in such musical areas as music theory, music history, sight singing and training, and class or private voice, piano or instrument. A student of music upon graduation from Moorhead State Teachers College can be assured of a good position in either professional or instructional music.

During the fall the band performs during half-time at all of the football games. During the winter it leads the cheering at all of the basketball games, and in the spring it goes on its annual tour throughout Minnesota.

This year the MSTC concert band has a membership of 71 musicians. Many of its members play in the Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Orchestra, one of the finest orchestras in the Northwest.

The bandmaster is Arthur J. Nix, who received his bachelor of arts and his bachelor of science from MSTC. Mr. Nix was awarded the master's degree in musical education by Colorado State College of Education. Besides directing the band, Mr. Nix gives private lessons and teaches ensembles and technique courses in woodwinds. He also offers courses in music history and appreciation, band conducting and organization, and music elements.

Dr. H. D. Harmon is the chairman of the music department and choir director.

Dr. Harmon did undergraduate work at the University of Nebraska, received his master's degree at the University of Michigan, and obtained his doctorate at the University of Iowa.

Under his direction, the MSTC choir each year performs two major choral works at MSTC. In the spring the choir performs lighter numbers during its tour of Minnesota. This year the choir has a membership of 70.

Besides heading the choir, Dr. Harmon also teaches private brass, sight singing and ear training, choral conducting, music arranging, and humanities. The MSTC brass ensemble, in which Dr. Harmon leads and plays first trumpet, is made up of seven brass players. This year the brass ensemble performed at the Northwest Music Clinic alongside the famous Joliet High School Band.

Since joining the music department in 1929, Dr. Maude Wenck has served as music consultant for the laboratory school and directs the all-girl Euterpe Singers. Specializing in the course of music elements, she also teaches methods, harmony, and counterpoint courses; and class voice and piano.

Dr. Wenck received her master's degree from Northwestern University. As a specialist in the field of music, she obtained a professional diploma and also her doctor's degree from Columbia University. Dr. Wenck studied a year at the Fine Arts Studio in Chicago.

Miss Mildred Holstad came to MSTC in 1955. After studying at

MacPhail School of Music, Waldorf Junior College, and Drake University, Miss Holstad did Lyceum work for three years and taught at the Concordia Conservatory of Music before coming to MSTC. Miss Holstad teaches private voice, piano and organ lessons. She also accompanies the choir and Euterpe Singers.

There are two national music fraternities on campus. Last year, the Eta Lambda chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national men's music fraternity, was formed. Before a chapter of this fraternity can be formed in any institution in the United States, the music department is carefully inspected. Only three other chapters in Minnesota have been accepted into this fraternity. They are at the University of Minnesota, Minneapolis School of Music, and at St. Mary's College in Winona.

Sigma Alpha Iota, national women's music fraternity, is another organization on campus. To gain admission in this chapter the pledge has to prove her superior musical ability and her interest in music.

All students, not just music majors and minors, who have musical ability may be admitted to the musical organizations on campus.

Dramatic students present three plays

by Norma Hornbacher

The dramatics department at MSTC provides a training program for all students interested in theatre and entertains student and community audiences.

The offerings, both academic and extra-curricular, are being expanded as fast as growing student interests demand. At present MSTC offers a minor in speech. A projected major in speech is under consideration.

The department sponsors three major productions during the academic year and a summer program. In addition to the major productions, a workshop series of one-act plays was inaugurated this year. These shows are student-directed and offer

Literature department provides wide variety

by Janet Murray

The most striking aspect of the Department of Language and Literature at MSTC is its direct alliance with other departments in the college's curricular organization.

Both the Lower and Upper Divisions of the college are directed by instructors from this department. In addition, faculty personnel from the English department teach many of the courses required of all students in the general education program.

Dr. Clarence A. Glasrud, who began teaching at MSTC in 1947 has been chairman of the department since 1949. In addition to Dr. Glasrud, there are eleven instructors in the department.

Dr. Byron D. Murray, director of the Upper Divisions, and former advisor of college publications, has taught here since 1926. Under his direction, "the Bulletin" giving general information on the college, is published quarterly.

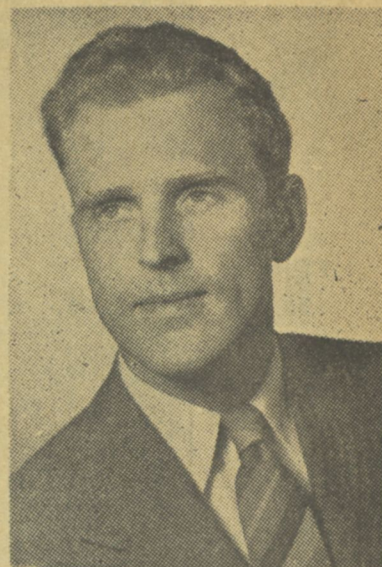
The present advisor to college publications, and new at MSTC this year, is Dr. William E. Gillis. He teaches the journalism courses offered at the college.

Dr. Catherine Cater, since her arrival at MSTC in 1949 has specialized in teaching the course in the Personal Growth series entitled "Critical Thought." She has also been instrumental in arranging programs for the Fine Arts Center.

Representing the English department in the program of general education is Miss Delsie Holmquist, director of the Lower Divisions. Miss Holmquist lectures and instructs a discussion group in the Humanities series.

Dr. Joseph H. Satin teaches Humanities. He speaks five languages, and was formerly an interpreter for the F.B.I. Another special field of his is Shakespeare; he also instructs a "Critical Thought" class.

Teaching both French and Spanish, Mrs. Virginia Grantham maintains a heavy schedule between the college and the campus school. MSTC offers two years of Spanish, three years of French, and courses in Ger-



DR. CLARENCE GLASRUD, chairman of the language and literature department.

man.

Additions to the department of communications this year include Dr. Franklin P. Batdorf. As well as teaching communications, he is in charge of the debate team. Mr. William Marchand is also an instructor of communications, and is instrumental in the dramatics program at the college. Mrs. Ruth Olson came to MSTC at the beginning of the winter quarter, and is also an instructor in the field of communications.

The communications courses are organized at MSTC to develop in each student a knowledge of correct grammar and usage, comprehensive reading ability, and good speech techniques. This knowledge is considered prerequisite to college work; consequently these courses are required of all students in all fields of study.

Mr. James Highlander, who began teaching at MSTC in 1955 is an instructor of English and speech. He is in charge of the college plays and dramatic activity.

The college is gaining attention as a remedial reading center as a result of the work of Dr. Allen G. Erickson. Dr. Erickson delivers lectures to PTA groups on remedial reading and conducts tests for problem children to determine reading difficulties. He also teaches corrective speech classes. Beginning in the fall of 1957 a new field of study including counseling, remedial reading, and remedial speech, will be added to the curriculum. This will be under the direction of Dr. J. P. Smith.

MSTC stands unique among the five teachers colleges in the state as this school is the only one that offers a minor in journalism.

LIBRARY SERVICE

"Any community with little or no library service is an incomplete community, regardless of how many swimming pools, television sets, or sports cars it may have."

John A. Stephens

Vice-president
United States Steel Corp.



THE EUTERPE SINGERS, an organization of women, under the direction of Dr. Maude Wenck, at their yearly Christmas concert.

Debate squad participates in inter-collegiate tournaments

by Marvel Froemming

Work on debate, under the direction of Dr. Frank Batdorf and William Marchand, begins early in the fall as soon as the national intercollegiate question has been chosen. This year college debaters all over the country are discussing the question "Resolved: that United States should discontinue direct economic aid to foreign countries."

During the course of the debate season, the squad competes in numerous tournaments throughout the four state area of Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.

The MSTC Forensics Union also co-sponsors a tournament in Moor-

head — the Red River Valley Tournament. This tourney is the result of the joint efforts of MS and Concordia.

Besides competing in official tournaments, the squad of about thirty persons engages in numerous practice rounds with NDAC, Concordia, and the University of North Dakota. These practices, run under actual tournament conditions, provide experience for the newer members of the squad and give all of the debaters a chance to become better acquainted.

In fact, sometimes better debates are heard in the coffee shops than are heard during actual competition.

Student survey shows Dragons from ten states

compiled by Mary Ann Jerezsek

Forty Minnesota counties, ten states, one territory, and Nigeria are represented in the student body of Moorhead State Teachers College, a recent survey shows.

But while nearly half of Minnesota's counties send students to MSTC, first term figures show that most of them come from Clay (275 students), Becker, Ottertail, and Norman counties.

Of more than 900 full-time students, 90 reside in Moorhead, and most others reside within a 30-mile radius of the college.

Mainly serving western Minnesota, the college also has 162 students from North Dakota. Besides North Dakota and Minnesota — it draws about 800 Minnesotans — eight other states are represented by 15 students. Five come from Hawaii and one from Nigeria in western Africa.



"MIRIAM, WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?" The Wilkins family questions its youngest member, daughter Miriam, in the first act of "Dear Ruth," a play given at MSTC last spring. Appearing in the scene are Nancy Granger, Anna Varriano, Norma Hornbacher, and Rowland Oyen.

MSTC art students experiment with newest artistic methods

by Sharon Chinn

The art department of MSTC is organized to provide artistic expression for students as well as to give the necessary training for teaching art in high school and elementary school situations.

Chairman of the art department is Dr. Nels Johnson, who is in his sixteenth year at MSTC. Dr. Johnson received his Ed. D. degree from the Pennsylvania State University.

Assisting Dr. Johnson in the art department is Mr. Marcell "Marc" Stratton, whose duties include instruction of humanities and art history and appreciation in addition to his work in regular art classes.

The art department serves MSTC in several different ways. Not only does it train art majors and minors who plan to teach art on the secondary level, but the department plays an important part in the training of elementary teachers, offering courses such as art elements and methods. There is an emphasis placed on art in the humanities as well as in the field of recreation.

There has been a trend for high

schools in the surrounding area to add more art to their curricula, causing a growing demand for full time instructors in the field.

MSTC is well equipped to meet the needs of the art student. There are three large rooms of MacLean Hall given over to the art department. The crafts and ceramics room is equipped with a kiln and a turning wheel for ceramics, and also a drill press, table saw, and jig-saws.

The other main rooms are the art elements and history room and the advanced painting and drawing room. Here the students work on a variety of projects, ranging from free hand drawing to mural painting. They use an assortment of materials, working with water colors, pastels, charcoal, or oils.

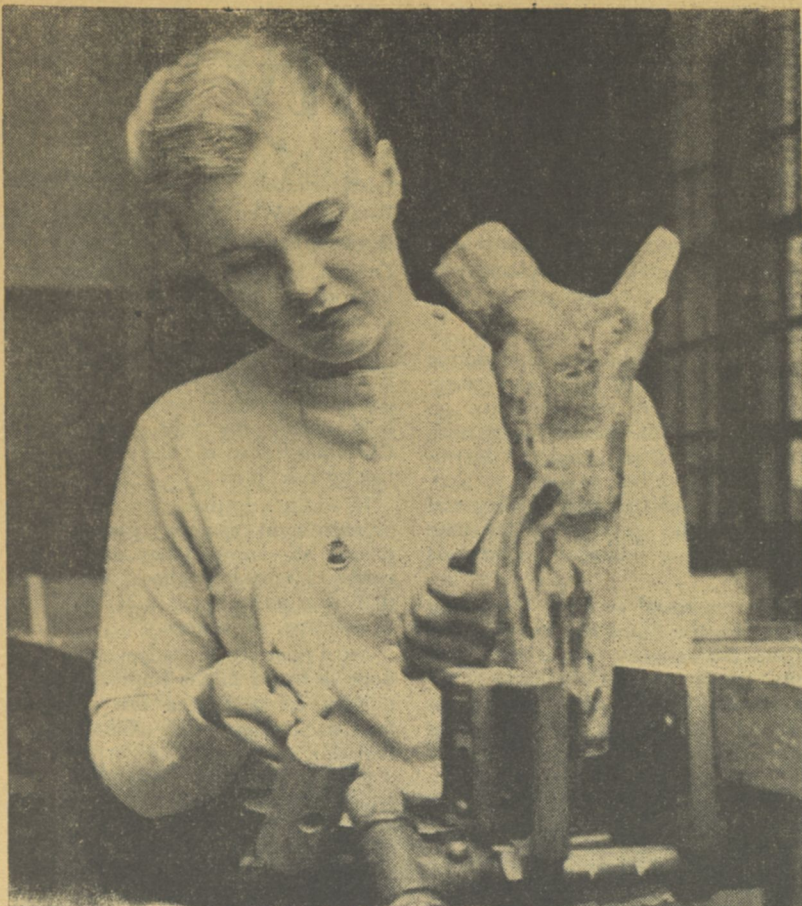
The department also has its own library and visual aid equipment. In

addition to the college department, the campus high school has a complete department of its own.

Dr. Johnson states that the general aim of the department is to create in the student an appreciation for modern art which may range from realism to abstract expressionism, to make him adjustable to new situations and materials, and to produce self-reliance and creation in his teaching.

It is an interesting sidelight to note that at the present time, Dr. Johnson is using his knowledge of art in his new home being built in south Moorhead.

The art department annually sponsors a number of art exhibits, which travel throughout United States colleges and schools. These exhibits are open to the public and give the surrounding area an opportunity to see the newest trends in art.



A PIECE OF CHERRY WOOD takes form under the hands of Sharon Chinn in an art class project.

IA majors learn teaching methods by practical experience in shop

by Garnet Badtke

In the basement of Weld Hall are situated the three industrial arts departments of MSTC. To the left of the north-south hall is the graphic arts department supervised by Dr. Marlowe Wegner.

The unusual feature of this department is the printshop where the Mistic is printed and graphic arts taught.

Besides the three newly painted presses, there is a folding machine which enables MSTC to fold its own paper and to do other folding jobs such as program folding.

At the end of the hall in room seven is the woodworking shop. It is

here that Dr. Otto Ursin sees that wood is cut right, worked correctly, and finished well.

Through the wood finishing projects, the student develops new finishing and new colors for many of the woods as well as sample pieces of the traditional finishes. From this the students get a background of finishing techniques and knowledge of modern finishes.

The centerpiece being made by Jerome Maley is a Red River Valley ox cart. The cart is tied with raw hide; contains no nails, only pegs; and is finished with linseed oil to make it resemble an old ox cart as much as possible.

The black walnut wood is also worked to make it look as though it had been hewn from timber wood.

Utility is the objective of the metal shop. Located on the tight side of the hall, it is under the direction of Mr. Lawrence Marinaccio.

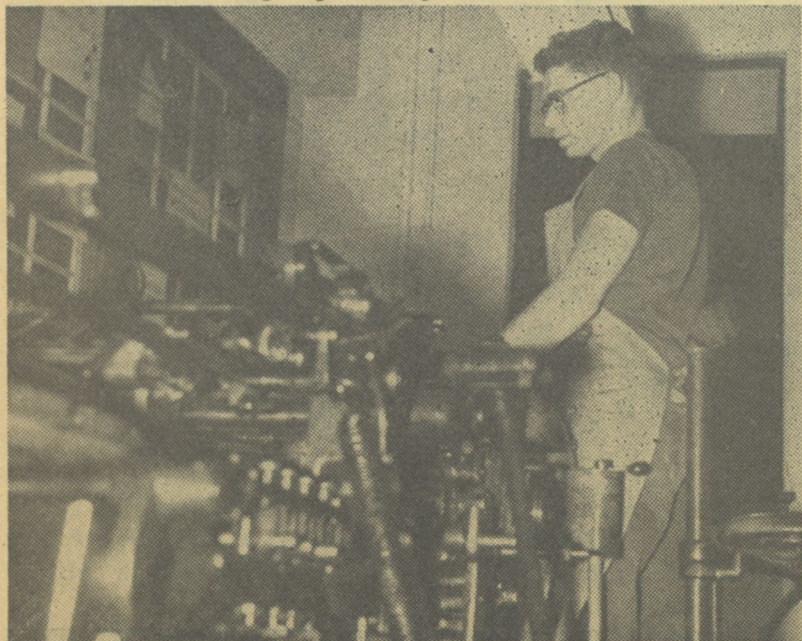
The aim of the sheet metal course is to produce the technique needed to work with any type of sheet metal in modern industry.

The second division is art metal. It is here that the students design their own projects, which may be any sort of jewelry, jewelry boxes, wall plaques or copper and aluminum foil art work. In addition to the utility and strength required in sheet metal, beauty is also an aim of this course.

The third division includes work with large machines that make other machines such as the lathe. A milling machine, which makes grooves or other irregular shapes, is also included here, although the lathe is the basic machine making machine.

The entire industrial arts department is safety conscious and brightly colored posters with various safety slogans are posted around the departments. Ursin stated that this is something of which every industrial arts person should be aware.

A final project which includes all the departments is a vivid yellow book rack in the wood shop. In it are different booklets which are given free by various companies and industries. Among the free literature are booklets on do-it-yourself aluminum, micrometer reading, and a comic which tells the story of measurement.



THE WESTERN MISTIC GOES TO PRESS. Printer Don Hunke mans the printing press on the Thursday night operation. Printing classes are a part of the industrial arts program at MSTC.

Students elect 12 to form Commission

by June Johnson

The student government body on the campus of Moorhead State Teachers College is the Student Commission. Elected each spring, the 12 commissioners represent the student body until the next spring. Elections are organized on a primary and general election basis, much as national political activity is conducted.

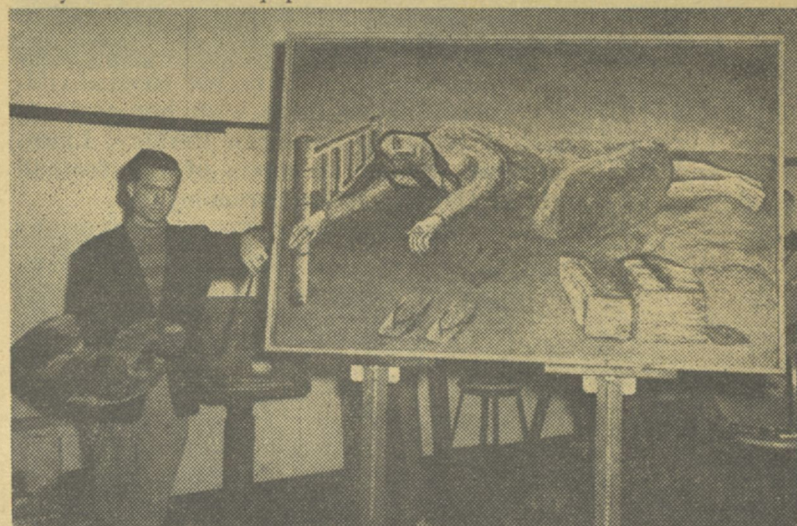
The Student Commission has the responsibility of budgeting about \$40,000 each school year. Because of this great responsibility, the Commission is one of the most powerful student governing groups in any of the state schools.

The Commission allocates student

activity fees for use in health, athletics, publications, music, dramatics, and other departments of the college.

Besides setting up a student activity budget each year, the Commission is responsible for coordinating Homecoming activities and other social, as well as educational, functions.

There are twelve students on the Student Commission, representing different college activities. Meetings are held every Monday evening in the Commission conference room. The meetings are open to anyone interested. Minutes of the weekly meetings are made public through publication in the college newspaper.



AN OIL PAINTING, DEPICTING AN ORIENTAL MOOD, is the work of MSTC student Richard Wicklund. Wicklund is an art major at the college.

MS student portrays Oriental mood in oil

by Sharon Chinn

Influenced by his life with the Chinese people, and inspired by the daughter of a famous Chinese artist, Dick Wicklund has expressed in an oil painting an emotion which he feels would be limited by a title.

He used the broken color method, perfected by the French impressionist school. Although the painting is entirely brush work, dabs of color replace brush strokes.

Those seeing this painting probably

note the brilliancy of color in the girl's dress. Dick explained, "The colors aren't representative of the colors used in Chinese dress, but are symbolic, not literal."

Starting November 27, and working whenever possible, he has painted two or three hours daily, and feels he has about four hours of work left to complete it.

Dick, a former art graduate from MSTC, is presently studying English and education, working towards his BS degree. This quarter he is student teaching in the campus school.

Engineers increase

Engineering enrollments in U. S. colleges showed a 13.8 percent increase for 1956, the Office of Education reports. A total of 277,052 enrolled last fall as compared with 243,390 for the fall of 1955. Lowest enrollment for the past eight years was in 1951.

Where students work part time

by Frank Leidenfrost

Many MSTC students are, in some way or another, working their way through college.

Of the ten students I interviewed, I found that six work in restaurants, three work in the men's dormitory, and one works in a clothing store. Their jobs are janitorial work, table waiter, and sales clerk. Nine of the workers worked for their meals rather than for money. Why are they working? The usual reply was, "I work to help pay my way through school."

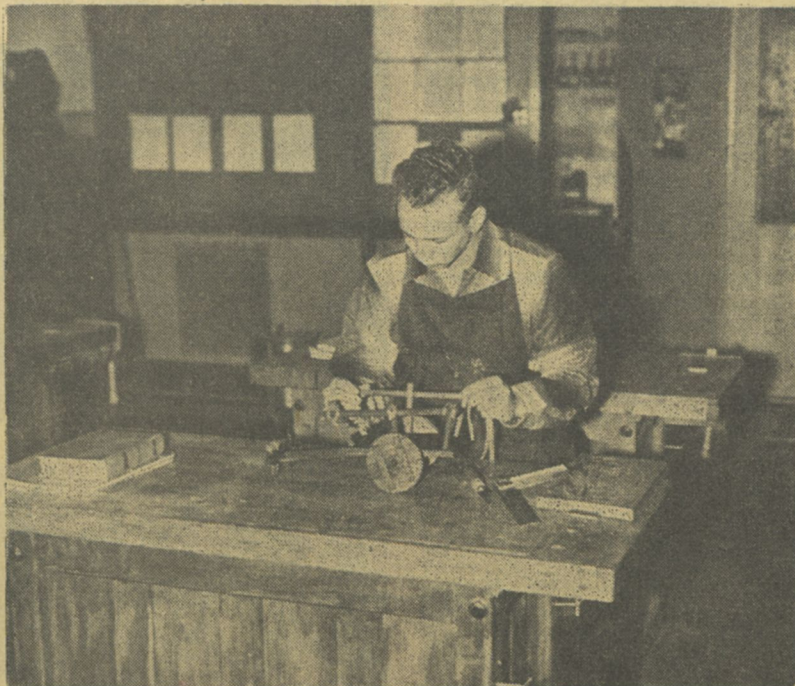
One of the dormitory workers stated, "If I didn't have a job, I don't know how I'd ever get through school, to say nothing about even starting school."

Do jobs interfere with studies? "If I weren't working for two or three hours a day, I would probably fool around that length of time anyway," was a common reply.

Part-time jobs put many of the students attending MS through college, and without these jobs, some would not be able to obtain a college education.

Jobs are not for men only, because many girls have jobs such as working in the school cafeteria, baby sitting, or acting as dorm counselors. Off-campus employment offers jobs as sales clerks, waitresses, and the like.

Don't be bashful about working. Everybody's doing it.



A REPLICA OF A RED RIVER VALLEY OX CART is the project of Jerome Maley for a class in the industrial arts department.

Roundup of a typical year's activity



QUEEN LORRAINE I REIGNS OVER THE 1956 HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES at MSTC. Shown here with her court is Queen Lorraine Vogel. Attendants are Fran Berkley, Laura Olich, and Nancy Johnson. Senior members of the football squad acted as escorts at the coronation ceremony.



"THUMP 'EM" is the motto on the huge white bunny on the Beta Chi sorority float in the Homecoming parade, an important part of any homecoming festivity.

Seven religious denominational clubs plan discussion programs, recreation

by Garnet Badtke

Moorhead State Teachers College has seven religious organizations on campus, one of which was just organized within the last year.

Since Thursday night is set aside on the college calendar for religious meetings, all groups meet at that time. The Lutheran Student Association and Inter-Varsity, however, meet more than once a week.

Inter-Varsity is an interdenominational group of students who hear outside speakers such as missionaries, pastors, and youth workers; and see mission or other religious films at the various Thursday evening programs.

The largest group on campus is the Lutheran Student Association. It is composed of Lutheran students on campus and their full time advisor, Mrs. Othilia Hauge. They meet in their own house, which is one block from campus, every Thursday and Sunday evening.

Sunday evening programs include recreation, outside speakers, student programs, films, and refreshments. The LSA also sponsors such activities as roller skating parties, ice skating, swimming and square dancing.

The Newman Club for Catholic students meets Thursday nights in the Student Center. The program usually includes a business meeting; speakers who discuss marriage, the liturgy, college and religious problems; clergy from other denominations; informal discussions; and coffee, cards, and games.

A new organization on campus is the Tri C, a Congregational group. Their meetings are held Thursday evenings in the First Congregational Church, Moorhead, three times a month.

Membership includes students from the three colleges, Concordia, Moorhead, and NDAC. Advisors to the group are Dr. and Mrs. David Goslee, NDAC.

Speakers, films, panels, and recreation are the types of programs held. A spring retreat is being planned for this year and a regional conference. At Christmas the group sponsored a Christmas party for the Children's Village of Fargo.

Grace Methodist Church, Moorhead is host to the Wesley Club each Thursday evening. This group plans a varied program of speakers, discussions, panels, films, recreation, and refreshments.

The Rev. Mr. Edward Pfluke Jr., Moorhead, and the Rev. Mr. Richard Holden of the Fargo School of Religion, are advisors to the group.

The Westminster Foundation, the Presbyterian group on campus, meets in either the Fine Arts Center or the Manse of the church each Thursday evening.

The program is varied so as to include discussions of the Bible, discussions concerning certain denominations, and problems which confront students in college and their relationships to the student. Games and refreshments follow the meetings.

Advisor to the group is the Rev. Mr. James Henderson, of the First Presbyterian Church, Moorhead.

Every year finds a succession of exciting events taking place at Moorhead State Teachers College, for no student body can devote their entire time to studies. That has been proven somewhere; no one can seem to remember just where the proof comes from, but it is an established fact.

The first big event on any campus is homecoming. MSTC devotes a week to these activities, although students prepare for it for at least a month before that.

The 1956 Homecoming found Miss Lorraine Vogel, a Cando, North Dakota junior, reigning as Queen Lorraine I. From coronation ceremony on Friday night, until the end of the thrilling game Saturday afternoon, Her Majesty was the center of attraction.

Immediately after the coronation ceremony, a huge "M" was burned as a victory symbol. It was efficacious, too, for the Dragons won over Mankato State Teachers College by a score of 14 to 13 the next day.

A large, noisy parade rolled up Center Avenue in Moorhead Saturday morning, with floats built by members of organizations on campus competing for first, second, and third prize honors. A float built by the Gamma Nu sorority won first place in the 1956 parade.

The Dragon Masquers, informal dramatics group on campus, sponsor an all-college Variety Show during Homecoming Week, with acts organized by various individuals and groups entertaining the student body and friends.

Throughout the year three plays are presented by the dramatics department. Last fall, "The Imaginary Invalid" a three act play by the French playwright Moliere was presented. During winter quarter "R.U.R.," a play about robots and an over-mechanized society, was given. One more play, not yet selected, will be presented during spring quarter.

The MSTC music department adds its share of entertainment to the campus activities. Two band concerts and two concerts by the choir are performed each year. On addition, the Euterpe Singers, an organization of approximately sixty women, usher in the Christmas season with their traditional Christmas Concert.

Lycuem programs, featuring some of the most famous performers in the

United States, are held at intervals throughout the year. The latest entertainer to appear was Miss Marta Becket, an interpretive dancer, who presented her dance sketches on February 21.

Other artists who appeared during the year of 1956-57 included a group of Negro singers who presented an adaptation of the Broadway musical, "Lost In the Stars"; and the Metropolitan tenor Albert DaCosta.

Sorority and fraternity rushing and initiation take up most of the time immediately following Christmas vacation.

The big social event of the spring quarter is the Alpha Epsilon Songfest. Sponsored annually by the AE fraternity, the Songfest is composed of original acts written, casted, and presented by members of different groups on campus. The 1956 Songfest cen-

tered around a theme of "Picasso Paradise." Winners of the trophy for the best act in the Songfest were the Dragon Masquers. Shown below are their act and another which competed in the variety show.

Traditionally, the spring prom is the most eagerly-awaited formal dance. Two other formal affairs are held during the year, including a Christmas formal and the ever-popular faculty reception.

In addition to these activities, other organizations sponsor parties and dances at various times during the weeks of school. It almost sounds as if there is no studying at MSTC. This is not true, of course.

Proof that some academic work is done is found in the impressive graduation ceremony the first week in June each year, which officially ends the year.



ROLLING ALONG CENTER AVENUE IN MOORHEAD is this float, sponsored by the Newman Club, with the motto, "We Totem Not To Come."



BETA CHI SORORITY girls in their act at the 1956 Alpha Epsilon Songfest, an annual variety show. The act is entitled "On the Road to Picasso."



JE NE L'AIME PLUS, the winning act in last year's songfest. Sponsored by the Dragon Masquers, individual dramatics organization on campus, the act consisted of interpretive dancing in the Picasso theme, general motif of the Songfest. The title of the act is French and means "I don't love her any more."

Athletics at MSTC play large part in college program

by Dave Montplaisir

Golfers win 20

The 1956 Golf team of Guy Varty, Ron Thompson, Les Kertscher, Lyle Hornbacher, Wally McGurran and coach Dr. T. E. Smith compiled the best golf record in the history of the college. This team won 20 matches, while losing 6 and tying 1.

Lyle Hornbacher was the medalist of the team with a 40.6 average while the team average was 41.5 for 9 holes. Hornbacher also established one of the highest totals in consecutive holes of golf played, in the nation, with 155 in one day.

Baseball finishes third

The baseball team finished another good season under Larry McLeod. The Dragons finished third behind North Dakota State and Concordia in the Steve Gorman Trophy League. MSTC gave the champion NDAC Bison their only defeat in league competition.

John Chalfant and Jerry Mehlisch led the Dragons in hitting and were followed closely by Dale Serum and Glen Anderson. After these four the hitting was rather sporadic with the best hitting less than .200.

Larry Krabbenhoft and Don Bet-

zen carried the pitching load for the Dragons. Krabbenhoft hit the season high point when he pitched a perfect no hitter against the University of North Dakota. It was Larry's third no hitter; the other two being pitched for Staples, Minnesota.

New football coaches

The football team had a new football coach when they came back to school last fall. Loel Frederickson replaced Dick Jensen, as head coach and brought Robert "Buzz" McLeod along as line coach.

The Dragons had a chance for a good season, but injuries hurt the team as the backfield proved to be particularly susceptible to injuries. At one time end Gene Goedel had to play quarterback until Paul Bonn returned to the lineup.

Al Holmes was elected captain for 1957 replacing Bill Beck and Frank Liedenfro.

Set basketball records

The basketball team started out the best it has in recent years and captured the Minot Invitational Championship while winning 6 out of their first 7 games. Then came the bad news. Dale Serum was declared ineligible for the season due to a new

conference ruling.

Sherm Moe and Ken Reitan led Dragon scoring as both averaged about 18 points per game. Sherm Moe also lead the team in rebounding. Lowell Bolger also helped in the scoring department as he averaged about 14 points per game. Center Phil Kieselbach and guard Dennis Anderson averaged about 8 points per game to round out the first five scoring.

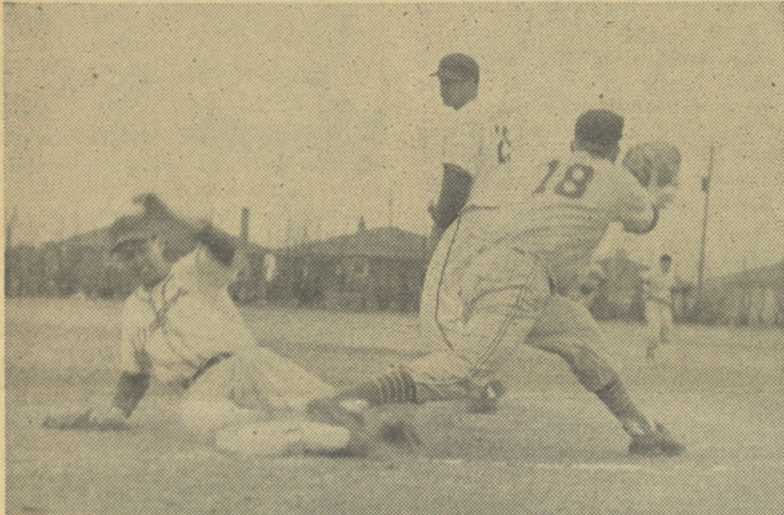
The outstanding game of the season saw the Dragons defeat Michigan Tech 118 to 68 as the Dragons set 4 new school scoring records.



SHERMAN MOE SINKS A SHOT in a game against Mankato TC.

Wrestlers score 4-6

The wrestling team wrestled more matches than ever before under Loel Frederickson and won 4 while losing 6. Four of the 6 lost though were lost by the margin of one match. Ron Kragness proved to be the individual star as he won 8 out of 10 matches. Other wrestlers with good records were Al Holmes, Dick ElRite, Dave Montplaisir, Henry Hettwer and Keith Dyre.



JERRY MEHLISCH SLIDES safely back into first in a game with Mayville TC last spring.

Faculty members and students form first Dragon football team in 1899

by Frank Liedenfro

MSTC founded its first football team in 1899 and the team first entered competition in 1900. After practicing in a cow pasture against teams made up of faculty members and local youths, the team won its first two games, against Fargo College and Fargo high school. Since then the football team, and other MSTC teams, has had a long and colorful history.

In 1915 MSTC had a winning season in football and in basketball. 1923 was full of oddities as the footballers won four different championships, while the basketball season was highlighted by a narrow 1 to 0 victory.

Four years later, MSTC entered its first track meet and organized its first tennis team.

For the fourth time in six years,

MSTC again won the Interstate football championship in 1930. It repeated this the following year, and its only blot was a 0 to 0 tie with Concordia.

The 1932 basketball season was opened in a new gymnasium. This was not the only progress made; the first hockey team was organized on campus.

"Fritz" Crisler, famous football coach at Michigan, headed a coaching clinic here in the summer of 1934.

1937 is an important date to football, as Marco Gotta kicked a field goal to give MSTC a 3 to 0 victory in football. This feat has not been accomplished since that date. This year found the basketball team winning the inter-city championship. Later, the Dragon thinclads won their first track meet in history.

Intramural boxing and wrestling teams were formed in 1938, and the football team won co-championship honors in a newly formed Northern Teachers Conference. During this year the present swimming pool was opened for the first time.

During the 40's, sports at MSTC hit an all-time low since most of the men were in the service. But sports didn't die out for in 1941 a transplanted Dragon football team stationed at Camp Hoan lost a 13 to 7 game to UCLA.

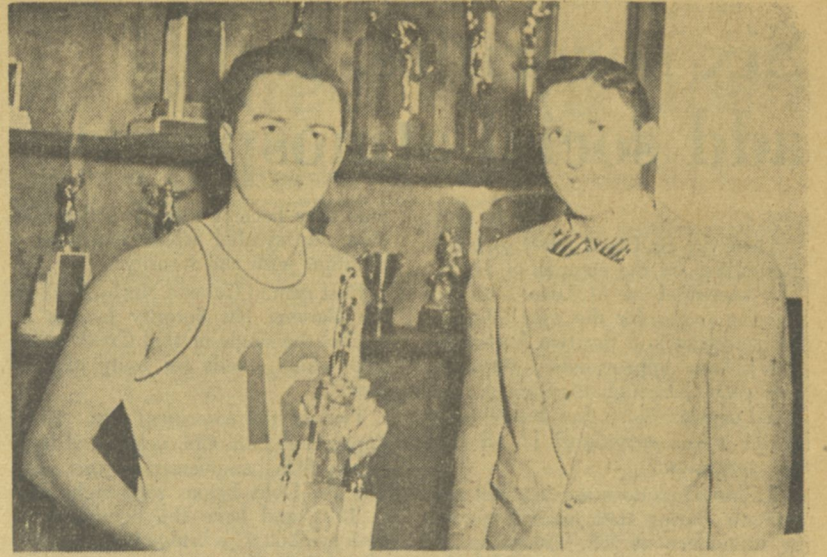
After six dormant years in sports, a sports classic no-hit no-run baseball game was pitched by an MS hurler.

Being track champs in 1949, baseball champs during 49 and 50, and winning the intercity basketball championship during the 1950 season verified the fact that sports were returning again.

A thrilling football season marked by a conference championship was followed by championship baseball in 1953.

1954 was a thriller as the football team was forced to settle with a 7 to 7 tie with Concordia. This Dragon team did what others have been unable to do for some time. This year also found the baseball team winning the baseball conference. Feature of the season was the second no-hit game, pitched by Don Betzen.

Dragon cagers finished second in the conference, while the other sports had fair seasons during 1955. Football was on the upgrade during 1956, and shows promise in the future. The basketball team had a good year, and wrestling continues its improvement with each meet. Baseball and track are expected to show promise as spring arrives.



KENNY REITAN AND BASKETBALL COACH LARRY MACLEOD are shown with the trophy for winning the Minot Holiday Invitational tournament.

Activities for girls organized by WAA

by Jo Baugh

At MSTC is an active Women's Athletic Association with activities throughout the year for all women wishing to participate.

During fall quarter, WAA sponsors a volleyball tournament. Teams are made up of sorority girls and independent players. In the winter there are intramural basketball teams. A round robin tournament is played off each year.

Softball is the highlight of activities in the spring. Along with these three main sports, many other activities are offered each quarter. Some of these are archery, swimming, tumbling, trampoline, and badminton.



CLEARING A HURDLE is Gene Goedel, member of the Dragon track team.



ARCHERY CONTESTS FOR WOMEN are a typical activity of the WAA. Here Jo Sater, winner of last spring's contest, gets set to shoot.

Membership in WAA is not limited to women majoring or minoring in physical education. Girls taking part in the WAA program earn points for participating in the activities. When they have earned enough points, they will be initiated into WAA.

In the spring a "playday" is held at one of the colleges within the state. This year it is being held at Duluth and WAA members will take part in it. Last year MSTC sent 19 delegates.

The purpose of the Women's Athletic Association on the MSTC campus is to provide physical activities for women in addition to what is offered in the regular physical education program.



DRAGON QUARTERBACK GLENN ANDERSON is pushed out of bounds by a Concordia player at the opening game of the 1956 season. The Cobbers went on to win the game, 25-7.



WORKING OUT FOR THE WRESTLING SEASON are Dave Montplaisir and LeRoy Edstrom.

Six sororities, frats add social atmosphere

by Jo Sater

There are six Greek letter social organizations on the campus of MSTC. The basement of McLean Hall has meeting rooms for the four 30-member sororities and the two fraternities which have approximately 60 members each. Although they are not national organizations, they follow many of the same procedures of all frats and sororities.

Rushing functions are held for new students during their second quarter in attendance at MS. Following the initial rushing activities, which include a variety of parties for the sororities, we soon see new pledges sporting the required initiation garb. After the short initiation period, new pledges become active members.

Members of each of these organizations must maintain a high scholastic average. The sororities have a traveling trophy which is awarded each fall to the sorority with the highest scholastic average for the preceding year.

Every year each sorority sponsors a Homecoming queen candidate.

The oldest of the social organizations is the Owl Fraternity which was founded in 1901. The other fraternity, Alpha Epsilon, annually sponsors a songfest in which other campus organizations take part. The proceeds from this function are used for scholarships for high school seniors.

The Pi Mu Phi sorority was founded on Halloween in 1905. At this

The word "teach" comes from the Anglo-Saxon word *taecan*, meaning "to show" or "to guide." It is related to the word *tacn* (modern English "token"), "a sign."

time they became known as the Witches, the symbol which has been a tradition with the sorority.

First named Gamma Niche in 1909, the Gamma Nu Sorority has as its symbol the single-masted Greek galley ship which stands for unity of purpose.

Two of the sororities, Psi Delta Kappa and Beta Chi, celebrated their twenty-fifth anniversaries this year. The Psi Deltas began with eight girls in 1931 and have the lighthouse as their symbol. The bridge is the symbol of the Beta Chis.

These organizations serve as a means of forming friendships and ties which are not severed at graduation but continue on throughout the years.

The sororities and fraternities have as their aims good fellowship, personal and social development and service to the College. These aims are met through the variety of activities which are carried on during the year.

Honorary, special organizations provide basis for activities

by Sharon Hodne

There are five national honorary fraternities on the MSTC campus, all of which initiate qualified students from specialized fields.

Kappa Delta Pi is a national honorary fraternity for those with at least a B average in education. It offers scholarship awards each year for high ranking juniors and sophomores.

Alpha Phi Gamma is the national honor frat for outstanding college journalists.

The national dramatic fraternity,

Alpha Psi Omega, has a chapter on campus. Those who have taken an active part in dramatics on campus can belong.

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia is a new fraternity organized at M. S. in 1955-1956. It is open to male students who are majors or minors in music.

Sigma Alpha Iota is a national fraternity for women interested in music.

Tau Chi Mu is another music organization open to majors and minors.

Since this is a teachers college it is only natural that there be some organizations concerned directly with teaching. The Association of Childhood Education and the Future Teachers of America are two of these. The ACE provides opportunities to give future teachers experience with children in hospitals, homes, and schools. The FTA acquaints students with functions of the National Education Association, of which they are junior members, and introduces them to the requirements of the teaching profession.

Many students at MS live in dorms, so it is necessary to set up governing bodies. The Women's Dormitory Association is made up of student counselors, floor representatives, and officers. The WDA helps make rules and enforce them and holds parties for women residents in the dorm, the biggest one being at Christmas time.

Ballard Hall Council is the governing body in the men's dorm. Besides enforcing rules, they sponsor an annual ski trip for all residents.

The M Club is for all lettermen in college athletics. They handle all concessions at games so jackets and sweaters can be purchased for deserving athletes.

Pep Club, which is also one of the newer organizations on campus, sponsors dances, charters busses to out-

of town games, helps with Homecoming and is the backbone of pep and spirit on campus.

Since we live in a country with political freedom it is right that we have some political organizations and we do. Young Republicans and Young Democrats sponsor political speakers, hold mock elections and promote interest in politics in general.

Many girls are interested in participating in sports and for them the Women's Athletic Association has been set up. There are intramurals in almost all major sports and almost all types of games are played. Tournaments are held at different colleges every year and there is an annual play day in which girls from all the Minnesota Teachers Colleges participate.

Major-Minor Club is for physical education majors and minors. They sponsor different activities on campus and send delegates to different physical education conventions.

Iota Alpha promotes scholarship, character and craftsmanship in industrial arts.

Art Club members promote interest in art on campus, sponsor art exhibits and design backdrops for campus productions.

Language Club is for students interested in languages and cultures of foreign countries.

Dragon Masquers supplement activities for Alpha Psi Omega and is open to students who have taken part in campus productions.

Off Campus Women is an organization designed for girls living in Fargo and Moorhead. They sponsor social activities and have dinners to help acquaint the girls with other campus organizations and activities.

Veterans Club is a new organization open to all veterans.



David Leiseth, Moorhead High School.

"The reason I came to MSTC was that it was the least expensive of the three colleges in Fargo - Moorhead, and I could also select the major which I wanted, industrial arts."



Janice Mickelson, Moorhead, Minnesota.

"So many kids told me they liked MSTC that I decided to go to school here. Everyone is friendly here and I enjoy MS."



Ellen Greenwood, Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

"Because I planned to go into elementary teaching, I decided to go to a teachers college. MSTC has proved to have a very good preparatory course."



Vernon Haakenson, 705 4th St. So., Fargo, North Dakota.

"I picked Moorhead State Teachers College as my college to attend because it is a small, convenient, friendly school."



David Crosby, Appleton, Minnesota.

"I had heard that MSTC was a highly rated teachers college, so I came here to major in industrial arts. It is a very friendly college."



Beverly Mann, Breckenridge, Minnesota.

"I graduated from Breckenridge public school in 1956. I wanted to take up home economics, but didn't want to attend a large college for my first two years. MSTC has an excellent two-year pre-home economics course."



George Otfelie, Lake Park, Minnesota.

"The reason I came to MSTC was because it is the college nearest to my home. Also I found that I could attend MSTC with less expense than any school in the territory and at the same time get all the credits I need to complete my training in pre-engineering."



Janice N. Dodge, Madison, Minnesota.

"I am attending MSTC because it is small college where the people are friendly. The teachers are approachable any time we are in need."

Estimated cost at MSTC averages \$235 per quarter

What is an education worth?

It may be the wrong way to look at it, but a college graduate's lifetime earnings, says a survey, will amount to \$263,000. If he does not graduate, he will earn \$190,000 during his lifetime. A high school graduate will make \$165,000.

So it does pay to be educated. But what does it cost to get an education? Tuition charges all over the country are going up. The cost of living is rising, so that four years of college may seem hardly possible to many.

Public colleges, however, offer real "bargains" in education. Cost of going to MSTC is estimated at 235 a quarter. It breaks down this way: tuition is \$35; activities fee is \$10; board and room, \$170; and estimated cost of books, \$20.

Students select their curriculum

by MaryAnn Jereszek

Moorhead State Teachers College has 649 students enrolled in the four-year degree program. They are preparing to teach elementary, secondary and kindergarten.

The elementary provisional three-year course has 130 students.

There are 57 two-year pre-professional students at MSTC. They study such subjects as business administration, home economics, journalism, and nursing.

The 74 students in the evening and Saturday classes are largely in the elementary course. The courses that 197 veterans are taking are scattered throughout the college program.

SCHOOLS CLOSED

The schools in the U. S. are closed more than half of each year.



SORORITY RUSHING is a colorful event of winter quarter each year. Here the rushing captains of the four sororities pose in the apparel the pledges will wear during informal initiation. Nancy Hohn and Sharon Donnan wear the aprons of Beta Chi; Marcia Martin dons the sailor hat of Gamma Nu; Rita Mann sports a Psi Delta Kappa kite; and Laura Olich and Helen Torgerson pose as Pi Mu Phi "witches."

Presidential assistant Nelson prophesies even greater future

by Frank Leidenfrost

According to Mr. L. O. Nelson, assistant to the president at MSTC, the future holds interesting things for the college. Mr. Nelson stated, "We have asked the state legislature for a \$4,303,000 appropriation. This appropriation, and others to come, will lead to the construction of several new buildings." These buildings will include a field house auditorium building, a football stadium, a library, and the acquisition of approximately 40 acres of land for campus expansion.

A new heating plant costing \$505,000 is to be built along with a science and industrial arts building, and four new dormitories. Said Mr. Nelson, "The new women's dormitory will be located on 14.7 acres of land between 6th and 9th Avenues across from 14th street; this building will be the first of a group of four which will house some 1600 students."

"Present trends indicate there will be 1150 students in 1957, 1250-1300 by 1958, 1450-1500 in 1959, and by 1965 it is possible that we will have an enrollment of over 2,000 students; however, the number of students de-

pends entirely upon our facilities and accommodations."

MSTC now has 77 faculty members and if the legislature approves a student-faculty ratio of 13-1, this means, that in proportion to the number of students, we should have over 100 faculty members. This depends upon the classroom space available.

According to Nelson, "Academic buildings will, of necessity, be financed through state appropriations; however, all of the dormitories will be self-liquidating." This means that the dorms will be self-supporting.

A student union may also be built here provided funds can be made available. These funds can be raised by several methods. One method is getting donations from students and alumni organizations, and another is assessing students at the beginning of each quarter. These methods are about the only means of obtaining funds since no state appropriation can be made for a building of this type. If a student union is desired, the students will have to take it upon themselves to start such a fund.



COLLEGE ORGANIZATIONS sponsors activities such as this half-time act as a basketball game. The German band and Scottish bagpipers are members of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, national music fraternity for men.